

BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF INTERMOUNTAIN) CASE NO. INT-G-20-06
GAS COMPANY’S APPLICATION FOR)
DETERMINATION OF 2019 ENERGY) NOTICE OF AMENDED
EFFICIENCY EXPENSES AS PRUDENTLY) APPLICATION
INCURRED)
) SUSPENSION OF PROPOSED
) EFFECTIVE DATE
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) NOTICE OF
) MODIFIED PROCEDURE
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) ORDER NO. 34908
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On September 1, 2020, Intermountain Gas Company (“Company”) applied to the Commission for an order finding the Company prudently incurred \$2,803,346 in Energy Efficiency Program (“EE Program”) expenses during 2019. The Company stated it would not seek to adjust its Energy Efficiency Charge (“EE Charge”) in 2020.¹

On October 2, 2020, the Commission issued a Notice of Application that set an October 23, 2020 deadline for interested persons to intervene. Order No. 34801. The Idaho Conservation League petitioned to intervene, and the Commission granted its petition. Order No. 34804.

On December 7, 2020, the Company supplemented its Application (“Supplemental Application”). The Commission hereafter refers to the Company’s Application, as supplemented, as the “Amended Application.”

The Commission now provides notice of the Amended Application, suspends the effective date of the Company’s proposed tariff, and sets deadlines for interested persons to comment on the Amended Application and for the Company to reply.

NOTICE OF AMENDED APPLICATION

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the Amended Application amends the original Application to include the results of the Company’s recent Evaluation, Measurement and Verification (“EM&V”) study and proposed changes to the Company’s EE Program based on the

¹ The EE Charge is a per therm charge that funds the EE Program.

EM&V study's results. Additionally, the Company seeks to revise its Residential Energy Efficiency Rebate Program tariff consistent with its proposed changes to the EE Program. Supplemental Application, Exhibit 9. The Company requested its proposed tariff changes take effect March 1, 2021.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Amended Application is available for public inspection during regular business hours at the Commission's office. These documents are also available on the Commission's web site at www.puc.idaho.gov. Click on the "NATURAL GAS" icon, select "Open Cases," and click on the case number as shown on the front of this document.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that all proceedings in this case will be held pursuant to the Commission's jurisdiction under Title 61 of the Idaho Code and specifically *Idaho Code* §§ 61-501 to 61-503.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that all proceedings in this matter will be conducted pursuant to the Commission's Rules of Procedure, IDAPA 31.01.01.000 *et seq.*

SUSPENSION OF PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE

The Company filed its Supplemental Application on December 7, 2020 and proposed a March 1, 2021 effective date for its tariff changes. The Commission finds the Company's proposed effective date provides inadequate time for Commission Staff and interested persons to evaluate the Company's proposal. Pursuant to *Idaho Code* § 61-622, the Commission suspends the proposed effective date for the proposed tariff until April 1, 2021, or until the Commission enters an order accepting, rejecting, or modifying the proposed tariff.

NOTICE OF MODIFIED PROCEDURE

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Commission has determined that the public interest may not require a formal hearing in this matter and will proceed under Modified Procedure pursuant to Rules 201 through 204 of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission's Rules of Procedure, IDAPA 31.01.01.201 through .204. The Commission notes that Modified Procedure and written comments have proven to be an effective means for obtaining public input and participation.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that persons desiring to state a position on the Amended Application may file a written comment explaining why the person supports or opposes the Amended Application. Persons who would like a hearing must specifically request a hearing

in their written comments. **Persons shall have until February 25, 2021 to file written comments.** Comments must be filed through the Commission website or by e-mail unless computer access is unavailable. To comment electronically, please access the Commission’s home page at www.puc.idaho.gov. Click the “Case Comment Form” and complete the form using the case number as it appears on the front of this document. To file by e-mail, the customer must e-mail the comments to the e-mail addresses listed below. In addition to submitting the comments to the Commission Secretary, the customer must also e-mail the Company at the e-mail addresses listed below. If computer access is unavailable, then comments may be mailed to the Commission and Company at these addresses:

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YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Company must file any reply comments by March 11, 2021.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that if no written comments or protests are received within the time limit set, the Commission will consider this matter on its merits and enter its order without a formal hearing. If written comments are received within the time limit set, the Commission will consider them and, in its discretion, may set the same for formal hearing.

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Company’s Amended Application be processed by Modified Procedure, Rule 201-204 (IDAPA 31.01.01.201-.204). Persons interested in

submitting written comments must do so by February 25, 2021. The Company must file any reply comments by March 11, 2021.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the March 1, 2021 effective date that the Company proposes for its proposed tariff is suspended until April 1, 2021, or until the Commission enters an earlier order accepting, rejecting, or modifying the proposed tariff.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that parties should continue to comply with Order No. 34781, issued September 17, 2020. All pleadings should be filed with the Commission electronically and shall be deemed timely filed when received by the Commission Secretary. *See* Rule 14.02. Service between parties should also be accomplished electronically. Voluminous discovery-related documents may be filed and served on CD-ROM or a USB flash drive.

DONE by Order of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission at Boise, Idaho this 2nd day of February 2021.



PAUL KJELLANDER, PRESIDENT



KRISTINE RAPER, COMMISSIONER



ERIC ANDERSON, COMMISSIONER

ATTEST:



Jan Noriyuki
Commission Secretary

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